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ELA 7

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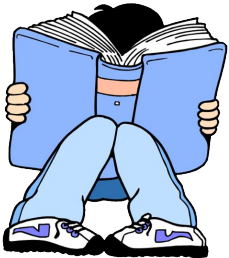
MAP Reading Test
Dates:
September 25 - 29

30 Book Challenge

Reading at Home

One way to easily encourage reading is to **model daily reading habits**. As literacy expert Stephen Krashen reminds us, "Children read more when they see other people reading." Talk with children about what you are reading and why you find reading personally interesting and meaningful.

-From Donalyn Miller, author of *Reading in the Wild*



Unit 1: Characterization

Students are working on the following outcomes:

The student will be able to:

- Infer a character's trait
- Explain the character's impact on plot
- Elaborate on textual evidence to support their answer
- Explain how the author develops and contrasts characters' perspectives

How to support at home:

- Ask your student about characters in books they are reading
- Ask them to explain "STAAR" to you
- Have them show you passages from their books that shows them what a character is like.



Students are encouraged to complete a 30 Book Challenge in 7th grade ELA by the end of the school year.



We are averaging 20 minutes of reading time in class each day. Plus, students should be reading at least 20 minutes a night at home.

Students should read a variety of genres that are "just right" books. This means they are not too easy or too hard.

Books can be any format. They can choose to listen to audiobooks, read with a family member, or read on their own.

Books over 350 pages are considered 2 books.

Books should not be repeated books previously read.

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Coming up:

Fall conference dates are October 16, 24, and 26 from 3:30 - 7:40

Unit 2- Informational Texts